

IN THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

1. (currently amended) A print processing method for carrying out print processing in which an image which corresponds to a visible image recorded on an image recording medium is formed onto a new image recording medium, said method comprising the steps of:

reading and displaying the image which is formed on the image recording medium;

changing the displayed image by carrying out image processing on the basis of processing conditions which are set in accordance with inputted order conditions;

electronically recording order information, which includes the processing conditions and the inputted order conditions onto one of the image recording medium on which the visible image is formed and an order information recording medium; and

forming the image which is formed on the image recording medium onto the new image recording medium on the basis of the electronic order information.

2. (previously presented) The print processing method according to claim 1, wherein the image recording medium on which

the image is formed is used as the order information recording medium.

3. (currently amended) A print processing method for carrying out print processing in which an image which corresponds to a visible image recorded on an image recording medium is formed, onto a new image recording medium, said method comprising the step of:

electronically recording inputted order conditions and processing conditions as order information onto the image recording medium on which the visible image is formed, and

forming the image which is formed on the image recording medium onto a new image recording medium on the basis of the order information.

4. (currently amended) The print processing method according to claim 1, wherein copy information including the order information is electronically recorded onto the new image recording medium.

5. (currently amended) The print processing method according to claim 3, wherein copy information including the order information is electronically recorded onto the new image recording medium.

6. (previously presented) The print processing method according to claim 1, wherein the new image recording medium is a photographic printing paper.

7. (previously presented) The print processing method according to claim 3, wherein the new image recording medium is a photographic printing paper.

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29. (previously presented) The print processing method according to claim 1, wherein:

the processing conditions include at least one of gray balance adjustment, gradation adjustment, density adjustment, saturation adjustment, sharpness processing, dodging processing, electronic magnification processing, geometric processing, peripheral quantity of light correcting processing, soft focusing processing, and red-eye correcting processing.

30. (previously presented) The print processing method according to claim 3, wherein:

the processing conditions include at least one of gray balance adjustment, gradation adjustment, density adjustment, saturation adjustment, sharpness processing, dodging processing, electronic magnification processing, geometric processing, peripheral quantity

of light correcting processing, soft focusing processing, and red-eye correcting processing.

31. (withdrawn) An image print order recording method, comprising:

reading an original image from an original recording medium;
receiving an order information, wherein the order information includes processing conditions and order conditions;
encoding the order information;
recording a copy of the original image to a new recording medium; and
integrally associating the encoded order information with the new recording medium.

32. (withdrawn) The method of claim **31**, wherein:

the processing conditions include at least one of gray balance adjustment, gradation adjustment, density adjustment, saturation adjustment, sharpness processing, dodging processing, electronic magnification processing, geometric processing, peripheral quantity of light correcting processing, soft focusing processing, and red-eye correcting processing; and

the order conditions include at least one of a delivery destination, print size, number of prints, use of clip-arts, superimposition of a plurality of images, and affine conversion.

33. (withdrawn) The method of claim **31**, wherein the new recording medium is a photographic print, and the step of integrally associating the encoded order information comprises recording a bar code representing the encoded order information on to the photographic print.

34. (withdrawn) The method of claim **33**, wherein the bar code is a stealth bar code.

35. (withdrawn) The method of claim **34**, wherein the stealth bar code is superimposed in an area of the recorded image.

36. (withdrawn) The method of claim **33**, wherein the bar code is a two-dimensional bar code.

37. (withdrawn) The method of claim **31**, wherein the new recording medium is a photographic print, and the step of integrally associating the encoded order information comprises:

recording the encoded order information on to an IC label; and
attaching the IC label onto the photographic print.

38. (withdrawn) The method of claim **31**, wherein the new recording medium is a photographic print, and the step of integrally associating the encoded order information comprises:

recording the encoded order information on to a memory module;
and

associating the memory module onto the photographic print.

39. (withdrawn) The method of claim **38**, further comprising recording an order information history of the original image.

40. (withdrawn) The method of claim **38**, further comprising using a single memory module to record order information of a plurality of original images.

41. (withdrawn) The method of claim **31**, further comprising determining a surface type information for the original information and wherein the step of encoding the order information includes taking into account the surface type.

42. (withdrawn) A print processing method, wherein an order information for processing has been integrally associated with a recording medium on which an image has been recorded, the order information includes processing conditions and order conditions, the method comprising:

reading the image recorded on the recording medium;
reading the associated order information; and
processing the image based on the associated order information.

43. (withdrawn) The method of claim **42**, wherein:
the processing conditions include at least one of gray balance adjustment, gradation adjustment, density adjustment, saturation

adjustment, sharpness processing, dodging processing, electronic magnification processing, geometric processing, peripheral quantity of light correcting processing, soft focusing processing, and red-eye correcting processing; and

the order conditions include at least one of a delivery destination, print size, number of prints, use of clip-arts, superimposition of a plurality of images, and affine conversion.

44. (withdrawn) The method of claim **42**, wherein the new recording medium is a photographic print and the encoded order information is a bar code recorded on to the photographic print, wherein:

the step of reading the image recorded includes scanning the recording medium; and

the step of reading the associated order information includes scanning the bar code.

45. (withdrawn) The method of claim **44**, wherein the bar code is a stealth bar code, and the step of reading the associated order information includes scanning the stealth bar code with an invisible light source.

46. (withdrawn) The method of claim **45**, wherein the stealth bar code is superimposed in an area of the recorded image.

47. (withdrawn) The method of claim 44, wherein the bar code is a two-dimensional bar code.

48. (withdrawn) The method of claim 42, wherein the new recording medium is a photographic print, and the encoded information is recorded on an IC label and attached to the photographic print, wherein:

the step of reading the image recorded includes scanning the recording medium; and

the step of reading the associated order information includes reading the IC label.

49. (withdrawn) The method of claim 42, wherein the new recording medium is a photographic print, and the encoded information is recorded on an IC label and associated with the photographic print, wherein:

the step of reading the image recorded includes scanning the recording medium; and

the step of reading the associated order information includes reading the memory module.

50. (withdrawn) The method of claim 42, further comprising reading order information of a plurality of original images from the memory module.

51. (new) The print processing method according to claim 1, wherein the order information electronically recorded onto one of the image recording medium and the order information recording medium is invisible.

52. (new) The print processing method according to claim 1, wherein the order information is electronically recorded onto a semiconductor memory which is borne in one of the image recording medium and the order information recording medium.

53. (new) The print processing method according to claim 1, wherein the order information is made into a bar code and recorded onto one of the image recording medium and the order information recording medium.

54. (new) The print processing method according to claim 53, wherein the order information electronically recorded onto one of the image recording medium and the order information recording medium is invisible.

55. (new) The print processing method according to claim 3, wherein the order information electronically recorded onto the image recording medium is invisible.

56. (new) The print processing method according to claim 3, wherein the order information is electronically recorded onto a semiconductor memory which is borne in the image recording medium.

57. (new) The print processing method according to claim 3, wherein the order information is made into a bar code and recorded onto the image recording medium.

58. (new) The print processing method according to claim 57, wherein the order information electronically recorded onto the image recording medium is invisible.